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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSESSMENT OF CUBA THEAT TO NICARAGUA

- 1. THE APPRENTLY WARM RECEPTION GIVEN THE FSLN TERRORISTS IN CUBA AND THEIR BEING PARADED BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL MEDIA HAVE STRUCK US AS BEING DIFFERENT FROM THE TREATMENT THAT CUBA HAS USUALLY ACCORDED VISITORS IN THE RECENT PAST. WE ARE SURPRISED THAT CUBA, WHILE ENCOURAGING RAPPROCHEMENT WITH ITS LATIN AMERICAN BRETHREN IN GENERAL, DOES NOT CONSIDER THAT SUCH AN OPEN ALLIANCE WITH A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION LIKE FSLN MIGHT NOT RESURRECT THE SPECTRE OF CASTROIST INTERVENTION IN THE HEMISPHERE.
- 2. IN LIGHT OF THESE IMPRESSIONS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S ASSESSMENT AS TO A) WHETHER THE CUBA'S TREATMENT OF THE FSLN TERRORISTS REALLY CONSTITUTED A CHANGE FROM THE PAST PATTERN; B) HOW MUCH SUPPORT MAY CUBA BE EXPECTED TO GIVE THE FSLN AND HOW OPENLY, AND C) WHETHER THE OPINIONS OF OTHER LA'S WILL INFLUENCE CUBA'S BEHAVIOR TOWARD NICARAGUA. WE WOULD ALSO WELCOME ANY OTHER ANALYSES WHICH WOULD BE HELPFUL IN EVALUATING CUBA'S ROLE IN THE POTENTIAL TERRORIST THREAT TO NICARAGUA.

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